

Virginia Ramirez

I've lived in Richmond for 20 years, attended public schools, received a full ride scholarship to UC Berkeley, and in 2012, my BA in Social Welfare.

I come from a Mexican family that believes in humility and hard work. I've also been raised in Richmond, a city of *pride and purpose* that knows how to fight for its rights and this is why I have the deepest desire to run for City Council. I believe in my community and its potential to create economical change while continuing its social justice work. Richmond is full of leaders.

Affordable housing, city structural maintenance, and protecting immigration rights are important issues for me.

When housing is destabilized a cycle of instability occurs for families and single constituents. I'll fight to change the narrative of what affordable housing should look like.

My vision for Richmond is to continue the great work being done in regards to infrastructure and community projects (e.g. parks). To make sure the streets are clean, parks and roads receive regular maintenance, and the city continues its beautification by the arts.

I am full of passion when it comes to speaking up for those who don't have a voice or are unable to speak up: I DO NOT ACCEPT CAMPAIGN MONEY FROM CORPORATIONS OR DEVELOPERS.

As a community organizer volunteer, I know real change comes with votes and will work towards convincing unregistered voters of the potential they have to better our community. We can create change in numbers.

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